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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s):

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For: **PRACTICAL METHODOLOGY FOR EARLY BUFFER AND WIRE RESOURCE ALLOCATION**

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Enclosed are also:

- 28 Pages of Specification including an Abstract
- 7 Pages of Claims (Claims 1 - 24)
- 15 Sheet(s) of Drawings
- A Declaration and Power of Attorney
- Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation

CLAIMS AS FILED

FOR	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee (\$710)
Total Claims	24	-20 = 4	X \$ 18 =	\$72
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Multiple Dependent Claims	0		X \$270 =	\$0
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